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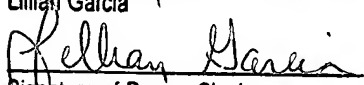
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10/059,014	Lee et al.	01/29/02
10/273,899	Venkata et al.	10/16/02
10/317,262	Venkata et al.	12/10/02
10/637,982	Venkata et al.	08/08/03
10/668,900	Asaduzzaman et al.	09/22/03
10/672,901	Asaduzzaman et al.	09/26/03
10/713,877	Churchill et al.	11/13/03
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Copies of the aforementioned documents are enclosed herewith. The U.S. Patent Documents and the U.S. Patent Publications are listed on the accompanying Form SB/08 (submitted in duplicate). It is respectfully requested that the documents be (1) fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application; and (2) printed on any patent which may issue on this application. The unpublished U.S. Patent Application documents submitted herewith for the Examiner's consideration are not listed on the accompanying Form SB/08 to prevent their Application Nos. from being printed on the face of any patent issuing from this application. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner sign the statement "All references have been considered" on the bottom of the final page of the enclosed Form SB/08 to indicate that the patent applications were considered (See MPEP § 609(c)). Applicants request that a copy of Form SB/08, as considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next communication.

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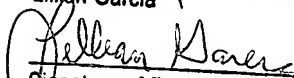
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